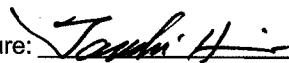


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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)**

Sir:

Applicants request continued examination of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

Submission under 37 CFR 1.114:

Previously submitted:

- Applicants request nonentry of any previously-filed unentered amendments.
- Please enter and consider the Amendment After Final Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Attached is/are:

- An Information Disclosure Statement
- An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings
- New Arguments and/or New Evidence in support of Patentability
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Request for suspension of action:

Applicant(s) hereby request suspension of action on the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; requires Processing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)).

 Small Entity Status:

- Applicant hereby asserts entitlement to claim small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.
- A small entity statement or assertion of entitlement to claim small entity status was filed in prior application no. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ and such status is still proper and desired.
- Is no longer desired.

 Applicant(s) calculate the following fees to be due in connection with this Request:

- A Request fee of \$ 810 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).
- A suspension processing fee of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i).
- An additional filing fee of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 ( \_\_\_\_\_ additional independent claims and/or \_\_\_\_\_ additional total claims).
- An extension fee of \$ 1,050 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) for a 3-month extension of time.

 Fee payment to cover the above-enumerated fee(s):

- A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the total amount of \$1,860 (\$1,050 for extension of time and \$810 for RCE).
- A payment by credit card in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE).

Respectfully submitted,

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